

News Briefs

Commissary closure

Due to the air show, the commissary will be closed Sunday. It will re-open Monday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Base housing shuttle schedule

A base shuttle will provide transportation to and from the air show beginning at 9 a.m. until transportation from the show is no longer needed. The shuttle will stop at all bus stops in base housing and at the enlisted dorms.

Officers selected for IDE

The 14th FTW congratulates **Cpts. Oliver Johnson, 48th Flying Training Squadron, and Michael Nolan, 50th FTS**, on being selected for Intermediate Developmental Education level program. Both Captains were recently selected by the Air Force Developmental Education Designation Board.

Cell phone usage

Vehicle operators on a Department of Defense installation and operators of government owned vehicles will not use cell phones unless the vehicle is safely parked or they are using a hands-free device.

Deployment briefings

Pre-deployment briefings are held daily at 9 a.m. Family members are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Ext. 2974 or Ext. 2790.

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SUPT Class 06-07 graduates at 10 a.m. at the Columbus Club.



Four year olds William Luciando and Joseph Parie have fun while reading a book during story time at the base Child Development Center Wednesday.

Airman Alyssa Miles

DD celebrates ‘Month of the Military Child’

Steven Donald Smith
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — The Defense Department has long understood the value of caring for and celebrating children of servicemembers.

April is designated as the Month of the Military Child, underscoring the important role military children play in the armed forces community. The Month of the Military Child is a time to applaud military families and their children for the daily sacrifices they make and the challenges

they overcome.

Military children face many obstacles unique to their situation, such as having a parent deployed for extended periods of time and frequently being uprooted from school.

“Military children endure a great deal of change as a result of a parents’ military career,” said Douglas Ide, a public affairs officer with the Army’s Community and Family Support Center. “The military family averages nine moves through a 20-year career. And in doing so, their children must say goodbye to friends, change schools,

and start all over again.”

Throughout the month, numerous military commands will plan special events to honor military children. These events will stress the importance of providing children with quality services and support to help them succeed in the mobile military lifestyle, defense personnel and readiness officials said.

“Installations are honoring military children by providing the month packed with special activities that include arts and crafts shows, picnics, and

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NCO academy renamed to honor CMSAF

Raymond V. Whelan
37th Training Wing

LACKLAND AFB, Texas — The NCO academy here recently took on a new moniker.

From now on, the Air Force will recognize the tenant unit in Bldg. 10634 as the Robert D. Gaylor NCO Academy to honor the former Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force.

“Since his retirement in 1979, Chief Gaylor has dedicated his personal time to brief over 161 Lackland NCOA classes, and he has touched the hearts and minds of over 27,000 students,” said Tech. Sgt. Jeannette Drake, an NCO Academy instructor. “He has also donated some of his most significant military memorabilia to display in the halls of our academy.”

Since the academy opened its doors in 1973, thousands of NCOs have received training there for positions of increased responsibility, Drake added. Every year, more than 1,600 students attend the academy, which is part of the Air University at Maxwell AFB, Ala.

“Today, people must be willing to assume leadership roles in a moment’s



U.S. Air Force Photo

Graduating Class 06-3 "E" Flight listens to the fifth Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force, Robert D. Gaylor, during a ceremony renaming the Lackland non-commissioned officer academy for Chief Gaylor on March 30.

notice, especially in a combat zone,” said Chief Master Sgt. Phillip Topper, the academy commandant. “This (NCO) training clarifies the importance of being able to take different techniques and styles to motivate and direct people in the accomplishment of the mission.”

There is no assignment better than preparing and training people for future responsibilities, the chief said.

“People are our greatest asset, and if people understand how to fully use their talents and skills in performing the mission — watch out!” Chief Topper said.

Deadline for all tax returns approaching fast

Mari Myers-Garver
14th Flying Training Wing

The deadline to file income tax returns is April 17.

There are still several appointments available to help prepare and file federal and state income tax returns.

“This year has been a record setting year, said Capt. Deric Prescott, base tax

officer. “We have helped more people this year and saved the BLAZE family more money in tax preparation fees than ever before, and have helped our clients receive more than \$2 million in refunds” said Capt Prescott.

Anyone who has been deployed, or needs additional time to file their return can receive assistance with filing an extension. All extensions filed before

April 17 will have must be completed by Oct. 15. For those who have not been deployed, remember, it is only an extension of time to file, not to pay. Interest will begin accruing April 17. Additionally, the tax center will assist with returns from 2003, 2004 and 2005 beginning April 25. For more information, please call the base tax center at Ext. 7613.

14TH FLYING TRAINING WING DEPLOYED

As of press time, **29 BLAZE TEAM members are deployed** worldwide. Remember to support the troops and their families while they are away.



DUI status

“Don’t Drink and Drive”

Last DUI: March 5, 2006

Days since last DUI: 33

Unit: 14th Civil Engineer Squadron



Here's a sobering thought.

Even a little alcohol can affect your judgment, balance and coordination. The fact is, almost half of the riders who die in solo crashes have been drinking. Play it safe. Don't start drinking until you've finished riding.



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Squadron	Senior Class	Squadron Overall	Track Select	Squadron	Senior Class	Squadron Overall	Graduation	Aircraft	Required	Flown	Annual
37th (07-02)	0.21 days	2.65 days	May 12	48th (06-07)	0.00 days	1.95 days	Today	T-37	420	537	15754
41st (07-01)	2.92 days	-0.44 days	April 26	50th (06-07)	2.00 days	2.00 days	Today	T-38C	210	192	6991
								T-1A	174	194	6859

Graduation speaker: Lt. Gen. Dennis Larsen, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command vice commander

Enlisted promotees



The 14th Flying Wing congratulates the April enlisted promotees. Pictured are from left to right (front row) to airman: Jamil Fitts, 14th Medical Operations Squadron; Shantel Morales, 14th Communications Squadron; to airman first class: Cody Aragaki, 14th Operations Support Squadron; Alyssa Miles, 14th Flying Training Wing; to senior airman: Fabiola Brown, 14th Comptroller Squadron; (back row) to senior airman: David Daniel, 14th OSS; Anthony Legaretta, 14th Civil Engineer Squadron; to staff sergeant: Micah Lyman, 14th OSS; John Verzal; 14th CS; to technical sergeant: Matthew Smith, 14th CPTS; to master sergeant: Brian Simpson; 14th Security Forces Squadron.

Airmen voice opinions in 2005 climate survey

WASHINGTON — More than half of all Airmen participated in the 2005 chief of staff organization climate survey, which allows participants to voice their opinions on issues affecting them and their jobs.

Chief of Staff of the Air Force Gen. T. Michael Moseley released the results of the survey to all the major commands March 31.

Strong leadership focus on the survey was credited for the 53 percent total force participation rate, an increase from previous years.

Overall, many of the numbers stayed the same, with only minor declines in some areas.

“The results are encouraging on a couple of fronts. First, the responses

were from our total force team, and secondly, there was no noticeable difference in overall satisfaction from those deployed and those at home station,” said Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Gerald Murray.

He said job satisfaction is an important area of concern as Air Force expeditionary commitments continue to rise.

According to the results, active duty senior airmen are the least satisfied among active duty personnel, although job satisfaction remained about the same overall. Trust in leadership was also an area introduced in the recent survey. From a total force perspective, middle enlisted member’s trust in unit senior leadership is significantly lower

than all other ranks, although overall job satisfaction increased slightly.

“There will always be areas where we need to focus and improve,” Chief Murray said. “From the enlisted perspective, ensuring NCOs and senior NCOs are stepping up to their leadership responsibility is critical.”

The majority of Airmen indicated, too, that Air Force leaders used the results from the 2003 survey in a positive way, and Chief Murray vowed that will continue with the 2005 results.

“We’ll take data from this survey and continue enhancing our professional development at all levels,” he said. “Our core value — excellence in all we do — is a goal of constant pursuit.” (Courtesy of Air Force Print News)

Precious metals

The Department of Defense needs your assistance in reducing operating costs. One way to help reduce costs is to check all expendable items for precious metals before throwing them away. For more information, contact your unit Precious Metals Recovery Program monitor or call wing PMRP managers David Gaddy at Ext. 7167 or Gus Cunningham at Ext. 7170.

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carnivals, fairs, parades, block parties and other special activities, focusing on military children that highlight the unique contributions they make,” according to a Defense Department fact sheet.

The Defense Department will also launch a new toolkit series called “Military Students on the Move.” The toolkit includes material designed to promote more efficient and effective methods of moving military children from school to school. The toolkit includes material for parents, children, installation commanders and school officials, Defense Department officials said.

In addition, the U.S. Air Force recently launched its “Stay Connected” deployment program kits in conjunction with the Month of the Military Child. The kits include items like teddy bears, writing pens and disposable cameras.

“The purpose of the Stay Connected kit is to provide young people and parents an avenue to keep a connection during the deployed members’ time away from home,” said Eliza Nesmith, an Air Force family member programs specialist “The items in the kit come in pairs, so that the young person and parent can have an item that will help them remember each other.”

Air Force bases will choose the best distribution method to correspond with an existing event or develop a new event to best serve their families. For example, Andrews Air Force Base, Md., will give out Stay Connected kits to deploying servicemembers during its basewide Month of the Military Child celebration, planned for Saturday, Ms. Nesmith said.

Throughout the month of April, the U.S. Navy child and youth programs will also be hosting special programs and events to salute military children. These events will include, carnivals, health screening for children, youth talent shows, and more, Navy officials said.

“Events that celebrate the Month of the Military Child stress the importance of providing children with quality services and support to help them succeed in the mobile military lifestyle,” said Larrie Jarvis, a Navy child and youth programs analyst.

Army bases will plan their own events such as fun runs, bicycle safety courses, carnivals, fishing derbies, community service projects and other events geared specifically toward children and youth, Army officials said.

The Month of the Military Child is part of the legacy left by former Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger, who died March 28. He established the Defense Department commemoration in 1986.



A Proclamation by the Commander

Whereas, Columbus Air Force Base (BLAZE Team) personnel are committed to the prevention of the crime of sexual assault; and

Whereas, all BLAZE Team personnel are encouraged to understand the damaging effects of sexual assault on their loved ones, teammates and military community; and

Whereas, Columbus’ Sexual Assault Prevention and Outreach Program, or SAPO, was created in order to fight sexual violence and to support those BLAZE Team personnel affected by this act; and

Whereas, all Columbus commanders, supervisors and first sergeants are provided training in order to educate and assist their personnel on any issues related to sexual violence, and

Whereas, all Columbus military and civilian personnel and their family members continue their efforts in supporting sexual assault survivors, deterring sexual violence and instilling a military culture that stands against all forms of sexual violence and its perpetrators;

Now, Therefore, I, Stephen W. Wilson, Commander of the 14th Training Wing at Columbus Air Force Base, do hereby proclaim April of 2006 as

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

On this day, the first day of April 2006

Stephen W. Wilson
STEPHEN W. WILSON, Colonel, USAF

14th Flying Training Wing

Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi

Housing Tip of the Week

The time has finally arrived when all cold winter weather is in the past and everyone can look forward to things once again returning to life. The trees are budding, flowers are blooming, and the green grass, weeds onion grass and clovers are starting to grow. The dreaded task of grass cutting is once again here and the yard inspectors will be out in full force once again. All yards should be ready for inspection by 7:30 a.m. every Wednesday.

Women aren’t only victims of sexual assault

WASHINGTON — Sexual assault cannot be relegated to being regarded as a “women’s issue,” said Don McPherson, the keynote speaker at the Pentagon’s Sexual Assault Awareness Month observance yesterday.

McPherson, the executive director of the Sports Leadership Institute at Adelphi University in New York, said relegating sexual assault to being a women’s issue means “men can ignore it.”

The theme of the observance this year is “Sexual Assault Prevention Begins With You.” The goal of the month and of the new DoD Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office is to raise awareness of the issue to prevent sexual assaults.

“We certainly don’t want perpetrators of sexual assaults in our ranks,” said Air Force Brig. Gen. K.C. McClain, commander of the Joint Task Force for Sexual Assault Prevention and Response. “We think that many people don’t understand (sexual assaults). We’ve looked at surveys, and teenagers indicate they don’t understand what behaviors constitute sexual assault.”

McClain said the awareness month is a chance for commanders to emphasize the problem and search for solutions. “Some of the attitudes that people come to the military with (indicate) they don’t understand how actions they are taking demean their fellow servicemembers and result in sexual assaults,” she said. “The goal is to help everyone begin to understand what sexual assault is and to step back and talk about how men and women interact in our society.”

McClain said servicemembers must understand that all servicemembers, from both genders and all backgrounds, bring strengths to the table. “The question becomes: ‘How do we maximize those strengths?’” she said.

McPherson praised DoD for stepping out on the issue and beginning to discuss it. He noticed that about half the audience at the observance was male. “That’s very good,” he said. “Your presence alone sends the message to your people that you think this is important.”

Far from being a woman’s issue, sexual assault is a men’s issue, McPherson said. “More than 90 percent of the sexual assaults are men against women,” he said.

He told the crowd that it is not enough to speak about preventing sexual assault, setting an example is the best way to prevent the scourge. He said children learn from their parents. Servicemembers learn from their superiors. Everyone learns from people they value and respect. If leaders exhibit behavior that does not tolerate sexual assaults, then their followers will not tolerate it either, he said.

The military academies have been a particular focus of the problem, McPherson said. Discussions have started in the academies, and the greater military is also dealing with the problem. Honor and integrity are even more important in the armed forces than in civilian life, and managing the “multitudes of people who come to serve” is key to a successful military, he said.

Change improves Air Force quality of life

Chief Master Sgt. Cristi Bowes
14th Mission Support Group

When change comes knocking at the door, many people don't open it. Instead they stay stagnant, living in their comfort zone and provide the proverbial "This is the way we have always done it" response. We cannot evolve without change. Just think where we would be now if many of the great inventors of the world gave up when they were laughed at or ignored upon voicing their ideas of electricity, automobiles, airplanes and trips to the moon.

My first experience with fear of change came when I was a sergeant assigned to Clark AB in the Philippines. (Yes a sergeant — which was a rank before rank changes were made.) I suggested to my boss, a master sergeant, a better way of managing the decoration suspense process for tenant units, to which I received, "If it isn't broken, don't fix it." Well he was right; it wasn't broken, however it expended three hours a day every week to separate the six-part product from the carbon, attach an office form letter, log it into the ledger book and place it in a "holey Joe"

where we would never see it again. Since they went to tenant units, the decoration was not routed through our wing for approval, so they ignored the Consolidated Base Personnel Office (now Military Personnel Flight) due date since they were suspended by their major command. However, I just couldn't leave it alone since it seemed to be a waste of time, money and resources. So, I submitted an Air Force Form 1000, Suggestion Form (now the IDEA program) to the suggestion office. I recommended that all tenant unit decoration suspenses be suppressed so late letters would not generate. In five short months my suggestion was approved by Headquarters Pacific Air Force and we were out of the tenant unit decoration business.

Another encounter of change when I found myself on the other side of the table is when Senior Airman Everett Cooper from the 14th Mission Support Group stopped by my office to run an idea of his past me. He wanted to streamline the Air Education and Training Command Form 29B, Pre-Departure Safety Briefing, routing process.

Senior Airman Cooper informed me that the Commander's Support Staff maintained forms on all mission support group, medical group and sing staff

agency personnel 26 or younger when they are on leave. This expended over 10 hours a week and the files were growing to the point that there was no more room.

He said he researched all pertinent Air Force Instructions and could not find any reference to who should maintain this form and wanted to implement procedures for the form to be maintained by the supervisor since they conduct the safety briefing. I told him this was a great idea and that he should bring it up to his supervisor. He did and within a week his process was implemented.

My points can be summed up by quoting Haw from the book *Who Moved My Cheese?* — "We keep doing the same things over and over again and wonder why things don't get better."

If you haven't read this book, I highly recommend you do because it will change the way you deal with change. With the Air Force facing downsizing, we must think of better and smarter ways to do our jobs. We must look at all our processes no matter how big or small they are to see what can be improved or eliminated, and embrace ideas and suggestions from everyone, especially our subordinates. So the next time someone approaches

Smoking cessation support group offered to BLAZE TEAM

Ellen Edmonds

14th Medical Operations
Squadron

With a little more than 22 percent tobacco use for Columbus AFB, it is more important than ever to inform the BLAZE TEAM about tobacco cessation. If you are a tobacco user, there are some questions you need to have answered.

Have all of the years of smoking or chewing tobacco caused too much damage to benefit from quitting?

No, within the first 20 minutes of quitting, the healing process begins. At 24 hours with no tobacco, your chance of a heart attack decreases. At 48 hours with no tobacco, nerve endings start re-

growing, and your ability to smell and taste improve.

Should you quit using tobacco on your own?

No, there is no need to do it alone. There are tested methods, including safe medications and counseling approaches, that will double or even triple the chance of quitting successfully.

Will your tobacco use effect whether your children will use?

Yes, youth whose parents smoke or use smokeless tobacco are more likely to use, too.

Will you have control over gaining weight when you quit?

Some smokers who quit do gain weight; however, there are things you can do to manage your weight during

this time. Choosing healthy snacks to manage your cravings is one way to cope. Also, consider using Zyban, which has proven to help manage weight gain during smoking cessation.

The best approach to quitting tobacco uses a combination of methods that includes counseling, medication and the support of family and friends. To maintain success, tobacco users should be sure they get rid of all tobacco products and ashtrays in their home, car and office.

More than 70 percent of tobacco users say they would like to quit, and the Health and Wellness Center can help. The HAWC provides a three-session program which involves counseling, medication and support. Each session is about one hour long. The sessions begin on the

first Tuesday of each month. To register for the tobacco cessation classes, you must call the HAWC and have a desire to quit. You do not need a referral. It is important to remember that most people try several times before they quit for good because quitting is hard. Let the HAWC help you with these attempts, and you will be more likely to quit.

(Editor's note: The HAWC, in conjunction with the base pharmacy, will offer a Tobacco Cessation Support Group beginning Thursday at the Services Complex. The session will begin at noon; there will be food and information. This group is for individuals who have quit or who are thinking about quitting smoking or using smokeless tobacco. For more information, call Ext. 2477 or Ext. 2235.)

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SUPT Class 06-07 earns silver wings

Twenty-four officers have prevailed during a year of training, earning the right to be an Air Force pilot.

Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 06-07 graduates at 9 a.m. today during a ceremony at the Columbus Club.

The graduation speaker is Lt. Gen. Dennis R. Larsen, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command vice commander, Randolph AFB, Texas. The command recruits, trains and educates more than 370,000 men and women for the aerospace force and the nation.

Students receive their silver pilot's wings at the ceremony, and students who excelled in their respective training tracks are recognized.

Second Lt.s Peter Liggieri, T-38, and Michael Carey Jr., T-1, received the Air Education and Training Command Commander's Trophy for being the most outstanding students overall in their classes.

The Air Force Association Award was presented to 2nd Lt. Brian Watts, T-38, and Capt. Grant McNelis, T-1. The award is presented to a graduate in each flight who excelled in training and typified the tenets of the association — promoting aerospace power and a strong national defense.

Lieutenant Carey, Lieutenant Liggieri and 2nd Lt. Rory Maclean-Eltham, T-1, and were named distinguished graduates.

The 52-week pilot training program begins with a six-week preflight phase of academics and physiological training to prepare students for flight.

The second phase, primary training, is conducted in the twin-engine, subsonic T-37 Tweet.

Some complete this phase in the single-engine, turboprop T-6A Texan II at Moody AFB, Ga. Students learn aircraft flight characteristics, emergency procedures, takeoff and landing procedures, aerobatics and formation flying.

Students also practice night, instrument and cross country navigation flying.

Primary training takes about 23 weeks and includes 254.4 hours of ground training, 27.3 hours in the flight simulator and 89 flying hours.

After primary training, students select, by order of merit, advanced training in the fighter-bomber or airlift-tanker track.

Both tracks are designed to best train pilots for successful transition to their follow-on aircraft and mission.

Advanced training for the fighter track is done in the T-38 Talon, a tandem-seat, twin-engine supersonic jet. T-38 training emphasizes formation, advanced aerobatics and navigation.

Training takes about 26 weeks and includes 381 hours of ground events, 31.6 hours in the flight simulator and 118.7 flying hours.

The airlift-tanker track uses the T-1A Jayhawk, the military version of a multi-place business jet.

Instruction centers on crew coordination and management, instrument training, cross-country flying and simulated refueling and airdrop missions.

Training takes about 26 weeks and includes 185 hours of ground training, 43 hours in the flight simulator and 104 flying hours.

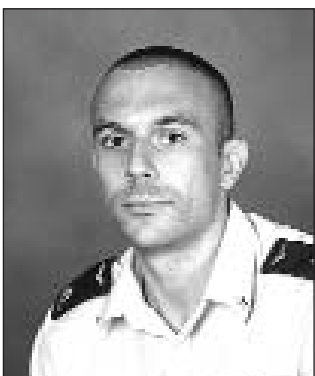
The class reunites on graduation day, when students receive the aeronautical rating of pilot and begin their careers as U.S. Air Force pilots. **(Editor's note: The class's pilot partners are CJ's and Rent-A-Space.)**



1st Lt. Lorenzo Ballarin
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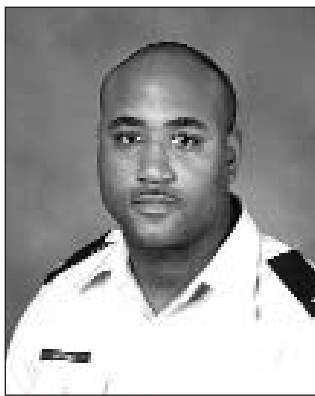
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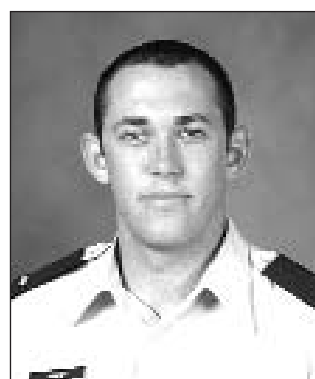
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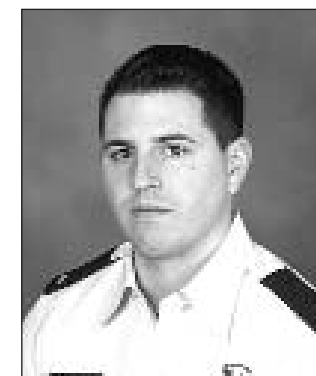
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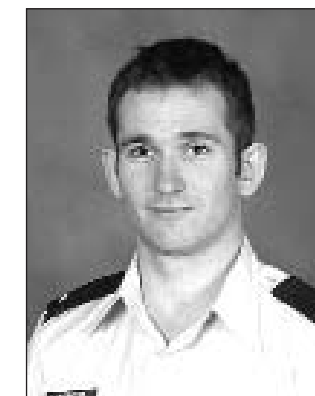
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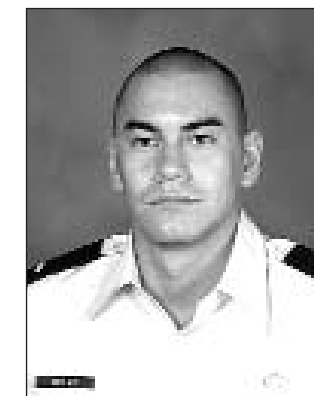
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2nd Lt. Andrew McLay
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Hours of operation changes for Sunday:

Due to the air show open house, the following Services activities will be closed Sunday: the fitness center, the library and outdoor recreation. The bowling center will open earlier at 6 a.m. and close at 10 p.m. All other Services activities will operate during normal hours of operation. Call Ext. 2337 for more information.

Quick shot bingo:

The club offers this program during lunch at the Columbus Club, Boss and Buddy Night Thursdays in the Landing Lounge and from 5 to 6 p.m. Fridays at the Enlisted Lounge. Cost is \$1 per card and pays from \$3 to \$1,000 for winning combinations. Call Ext. 2490.

The bowling center also offers their own version of quick shot bingo which pays from \$5 to \$500 for a winning combination. Cost is \$1 per card. Play anytime the bowling center is open. Call Ext. 2425 for more information.

Chill out at the Daily Grind:

The Fitness Center's Daily Grind, now offers soft serve with fresh fruit, granola and various toppings. The Daily Grind is open Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon. A free espresso will be given after the purchase of nine espressos. Call Ext. 2772.

Crafts classes:

The arts and crafts center's upcoming crafts classes for April feature seasonal projects. Adult classes are at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays. Upcoming classes include a bunny trail yard decoration, a shelf bunny, a spring door hanging and a wooden patchwork heart hanging.

The youth classes are offered Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Upcoming classes include a clay pot Easter candy dish, a Easter tic-tac-toe game, a clay saucer lady bug and a puzzle piece picture frame.A display of all projects is available in the arts and crafts lobby. Participants must register at least four days prior

Secretaries day lunch special:

The Columbus Club is offering bosses a chance to take their secretaries to lunch at the club. The lunch will be half price for secretaries April 29. Call Ext. 2490 for more information.

Club membership drive:

The Columbus Club launches its 2006 membership drive Saturday. Current members may enter a weekly drawing for \$20 in club bucks every time they eat lunch at the club, stop in for a beverage in one of the lounges, order from the lounge menu, attend family fun night or play quick shot bingo.

The first weekly drawing will be held Monday. Anyone who registers for membership during the drive will receive five entry blanks for the weekly drawings. Current members who sponsor a new member will also receive five entry blanks. The membership drive ends May 31. The club will conduct a drawing for current and new members each for \$250 in club credit. For more

Home decor workshops:

The arts and crafts center offers a class to make a garden bench for \$35 at 10 a.m. or 6 p.m. Thursday. Participants must register by close of business today. Call Ext. 7836 for more information.

Easter family fun night:

The Columbus Club offers their family fun night from 5:30 to 8 p.m. April 13 with egg decorating and a mini Easter egg hunt. There will be a visit from the Easter Bunny along with a bouncy castle. The adult buffet is \$6.95 for members and \$9.95 for nonmembers. Ages 6 to 12, eat for \$3.95 for members and \$5.95 for nonmembers. Ages 5 and younger eat free.

Easter Sunday champagne brunch:

The Columbus Club offers their brunch from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. April 16. Cost is \$10.95 for members and \$13.95 for nonmembers. Cost

information, call Ext. 2490.

For ages 6 to 12 is \$6 for members and \$8 for nonmembers. Ages 5 and younger eat free. Menu includes pancakes, butter-milk biscuits, Southern grits, grilled home fries, sausage, bacon, scrambled eggs, waffle station with toppings galore, omelet bar, fried chicken, green beans almondine, mashed potatoes with gravy, rice pilaf, honey cured ham, carved steamship round of beef, smoked salmon, fried catfish, white fish, pasta station, super salad bar, assorted breads and cheeses, oven baked assorted rolls, and a dessert bar featuring an array of assorted cakes, oven baked pies and more. For reservations, all

Ext. 2490.

Catholic

Sunday:
9:15 a.m. — Mass
10:30 a.m. — CCD
5 p.m. — Confessions
5:30 p.m. — SUPT Mass
Tuesday:
6 p.m.-- Communal Penance at the chapel
7 p.m. -- RCIA
April 8 -- Mass at 7 p.m.
April 9 -- Mass at 8 a.m.on the bleachers by the base fire department

Protestant

Sunday:
9 a.m. — Adult and children's Sunday School
10:30 a.m. -- Contemporary service at the services complex
10:45 a.m. — Traditional worship service at the chapel sanctuary
Monday:
7 p.m. — Bible study fellowship
Wednesday:
11:30 a.m. — Lunchtime study
5 p.m. — Pot luck supper
6 p.m. — Video study
A Case for Kids
Pioneer Clubs
Thursday:
9 a.m. -- Ladies Bible Study
April 9 -- General and Contemporary service at 8 a.m. at the Chapel.
For information, call Ext. 2500.

Chapel Schedule

Biggest Loser Third Weigh-in Standings

Total Weight loss for all teams: 816.50 pounds

1. Six Fatties

332.77 pts.

2. Team Red

272.89 pts.

3. True Warriors

264.01 pts.

4. CE Cinderellas

259.84 pts.

5. Crumb Counters

244.29 pts.

6. Munch Bunch

237.31 pts.

7. Lean Machines

214.70 pts.

8. 48th FTS Fat Cats

172.01 pts.

9. Quarter Pounders

157.54 pts.

10. The Triple S Threat

152.10 pts.

11. Heavenly Heavyweights

141.00 pts.

12. Brickhouses

116.98 pts.

13. Worker Bees

114.64 pts.

14. Krispy Kremes

112.22 pts.

15. YC-6

111.62 pts.

16. Shape Shifters

106.19 pts.

17. Teximara Extreme Losers

98.24 pts.

18. Skinny Dreams

90.66 pts.

19. Six Pack

87.60 pts.

20. D.E. Fat McFatness

78.88 pts.

21. Chunky Monkeys

63.74 pts.

22. Queen Bees + 1

54.08 pts.

23. The Skinny Six

42.83 pts.

24. Deca Divas +1

39.39 pts.

25. Ladies Team

38.11 pts.

26. The Weight Watchers

37.64 pts.

27. Unnamed Sources

31.40 pts.

28. The Shockers

26.88 pts.

family support center for information about new bases, checklists to make moving easier and suggestions for traveling with children.

Basic communication skills

The second class for this skill building course will be held at 11 a.m. April 12. Participants will learn the difference between being assertive and aggressive and how to use skills assertively while remaining courteous and respectful. Communications 3 will be held at 11 a.m. April 19. Participants will learn how to concentrate on discussions and respond to information without disagreeing mentally.

Deployment briefings

Pre-deployment briefings are held daily at 9 a.m. Family members are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Ext. 2974 or Ext. 2790.

Air Force Aid Society

The AFAS offers 24-hour emergency assistance. Possible aid includes interest-free loans, grants, car repairs and emergency travel. For more information, call the family support center.

Spouse welcome

A welcome reception for spouses new to Columbus AFB is from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. every Wednesday at the Magnolia Inn Lobby. Spouses will receive gifts and information about the family support center.

Relocation assistance

Those relocating or making a permanent change of station can stop by the

Bunny power



Pam Wickham

The Easter Bunny gives Spring Fling participants a "high five" Saturday before the egg hunt. The Easter Bunny will also make appearances at the Columbus Club's family fun night Thursday and at the Easter Brunch April 16. Call Ext. 2490.

Adult beginners golf clinic:

This one day clinic will be held at the pro shop from 9 to 11 a.m. April 22. Participants will learn the fundamentals of golf. Cost is \$5.

Lunch buffets:

The Columbus Club offers an all-you-can-eat lunch buffet from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Tuesday's new menu includes meat loaf, Southern fried pork chops, veggies and homemade apple pie. Wednesday's menu features a southern comfort buffet with fried chicken, smoked brisket and cobbler. Thursday is the backyard barbecue and Friday's menu is a bonsai buffet with teriyaki chicken, beef vegetable stir fry, fried rice and egg rolls. Cost is \$5.50 per person and includes iced tea or lemonade. Call Ext. 2490.

Trash to treasures: An art, crafts, antiques and collectibles sale will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday on the Columbus Fair grounds. For more information, call 328-5147 or 329-8783.

Columbus Pilgrimage 10K Run: This race will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday at the Tennessee Williams Welcome Center. Participants will run through Columbus' Historic District while viewing some of the South's antebellum homes. The run will be completed on the new river walk along the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway. Awards will

be given to first overall, first masters and first grandmasters. Fore more information, Call O.K. Bryant at (662) 327-7688 or e-mail him at TKOKB2@aol.com

Stork Support: Oktibbeha County Hospital hosts an expectant parent childbirth class Mondays at 6 p.m. in its educational facility. For more information, call 615-3364.

Belly dancing: Oktibbeha County Hospital's Wellness Connection offers two six-week belly dancing classes at OCH HealthPlex Aerobics Studio. The 6:30 p.m. class is for

beginners and the 7:30 p.m. is for those who have previously received belly dance instruction. For more information, call (662) 323-9355.

Community CPR: Baptist Memorial Hospital Golden Triangle offers community CPR classes each month. Call the education department for dates at 244-1497 or (800) 544-8762, Ext. 1497.

For more event listings, visit www.columbusms.org or www.tupelo.net.

BARGAIN LINE

Bargain Line advertisement

The Bargain Line is free for all military members (including guard and reserve members), DOD civilians, military retirees, family members and contract employees.

Bargain Line advertisements must be turned in to the Silver Wings office in the 14th Flying Training Wing headquarters building by noon Monday to be included in the following week's issue. Late ads will be held over for the next issue.

Reruns must be phoned in to the Silver Wings office, 434-7068, by noon Monday for inclusion in the next week's issue. Please do not re-submit ads for rerun on this form. Advertisements should contain a home phone number, home address or both. Duty phone numbers will not appear in the ads.

Advertisements for private businesses or services providing a continuous source of income, such as baby-sitting or rental property, may not appear in the Bargain Line. They may, however, be purchased through the Silver Wings publisher, 328-2424. Please fill out this form completely. The Silver Wings staff reserves the right to edit ads as necessary.

Type of advertisement (circle one) Home Transportation Miscellaneous Yard sales Pets

Print advertisement _____

Name _____

Home Telephone # _____ Duty Telephone # _____
(in case we need more information)

Please let us know what you think of the Silver Wings:

Are you happy with the Silver Wings? Yes ☐ No ☐

What would you like to see more of in the newspaper? News ☐ Sports ☐ Photos ☐ Other _____

If you would like to give any other suggestions, please e-mail us at silverwings@columbus.af.mil.



Photos by Airman Alyssa Miles
Goalie Karina Canfield, 7, waits patiently while the rest of her soccer team receives drill instructions from their coach John Parie during practice Wednesday.



Top: Shelby Blakely, 5, passes the ball to Coach Parie.
Right: Lanie Moreau, 7, dives for a block. The youth center soccer season kicked off Monday. For more information on youth sports programs, call Eric Richmire at Ext. 2503.



Top: Richard Mattice, 6, sharpens his dribbling skills as he works his way around a cone.